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(43)-4697-The world's most unique inhabitants—Esquimaux and their "toupiks" (summer tents), Greenland. Copyright 1901 by Underwood & Underwood.

This is one of the most far northerly points where any human beings live. It is of course midsummer. Grass and flowers are found in these low hills in July. That tent is made of sealskins sewed together by the women with needles of bone and sinews of the narwhal for thread. The winter dwelling (*igloo*) would be a snow house with enormously thick walls. Those tent poles are considered great treasures, for nothing in the shape of lumber can be had except as the sea may leave a bit of driftwood or the crew of some exploring vessel may bestow a bit of timber as a gift. Evidently these people have friends who come from civilized regions. Notice the clothes proudly worn by that most important man! The women do not often wear petticoats, but are usually arrayed almost exactly like the men. Those trousers and shirts are of sealskin with the fur inside. The shirts are often of deerskin. In order to keep such skins from drying hard and unmanageable these women chew and suck them all over the inside, removing all the adherent fibre and leaving them soft and pliable. This smiling matron can chew two deerskins in a day if work be pressing!

That youngster at the left wore not a scrap of clothing of any sort until he was two years old, but was fitted snugly into a furry pocket inside the back of his mother's shirt, between her shoulders.

Ducks' eggs are favorite summer luxuries here in the way of food. Walrus meat and the blubber of seals and whales (raw) are the main dependence for cold weather.

Those yellowish and white dogs are indispensable members of the family; they draw the master's sledges in winter and haul heavy carcasses of seal and walrus home for food. One meal in two days keeps them in condition for work.

See J. D. Peary: "My Arctic Journal"; F. Schwatka: "Children of the Cold," etc., etc.

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